SWANSCOMBE & GREENHITHE TOWN COUNCIL

SUMMONS & AGENDA

A Meeting of the Swanscombe and Greenhithe Town Council will be held on

Thursday 30 January 2025 at 7.00pm

at: The Council Offices, The Grove, Swanscombe, DA10 0GA.

Graham Blew

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Town Clerk

Dated: 23 January 2025

Should any member have any questions regarding the content of the agenda or attached papers, please put them to the clerk's office 24 hours in advance of the meeting.

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LOCAL COUNCIL AWARD SCHEME FOUNDATION

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A G E N D A

A MEETING OF THE SWANSCOMBE & GREENHITHE TOWN COUNCIL

1. To receive and accept apologies for absence *(Local Government Act 1972, s.85).*

2. Declarations of interest in items on the Agenda *(Localism Act 2011, s.31).*

* ***As per Standing Order 34 c), and at the Chairman's discretion, the meeting will be adjourned at this point to allow any members of the public to address the meeting in relation to the business to be transacted at the meeting. Members of the public are allowed to (i) make representations, (ii) answer questions and (iii) give evidence relating to the business being transacted.***

3. To approve the Minutes of the Special Town Council Meeting held on 9 January 2025 (p) *(Local Government Act 1972, Sch 12, Para 41(1)).*

4. Items as Deemed Urgent by the Town Mayor / matters arising from previous minutes and their position on the Agenda (*for discussion/information only, not for decision*

5. **TO RECEIVE THE MINUTES OF THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEES AND SUB-COMMITTEES AND PASS RESOLUTIONS AS DEEMED ADVISABLE (p)**
(Local Government Act 1972, Sch 12, Para 41(1)):

   - Finance and General Purposes Committee – 9 January 2025
   - Planning, Major Developments, Transportation and Environment Committee – 15 January 2025

6. KENT ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS (KALC) COMMUNITY AWARDS SCHEME (2025) (p).

The Chief Executive of KALC has advised that they have now launched the 2025 KALC Community Awards Scheme.

If the Council wishes to take part in the Scheme the first step is to agree to adopt the Scheme. The Council would then need to submit its Nomination to KALC by Friday 7 February 2025.

All the relevant information / details for the Scheme are attached, and were previously emailed to members on 18 November 2024, along with clarification from KALC and the nominations received to date (marked A, B and C).

Recommended: To adopt the Scheme and to submit a Nomination.

7. COMMUNITY EVENT WORKING GROUP – UPDATE (p).

The notes from the last Working Group meeting are attached and include a recommendation that the Working Group consider preparing details on how to commemorate the centenary of the formation of Swanscombe Urban District Council.

Recommendation:

1. That the update be noted.

2. That the Working Group consider preparing details on how to commemorate the centenary of the formation of Swanscombe Urban District Council.

8. PAVILION WORKING GROUP – UPDATE (p).

Further to minute 352/24-25 the notes from the 24 January 2025 Working Group meeting will be tabled for members information.

Recommendation: That the update be noted

9. STAFF / MEMBER TRAINING – UPDATE.

The following training has been scheduled / undertaken: -

Cllr Ann Duke	Chairmanship Conference – 27 February 2025	KALC – Appledore
Cllr Dawn Johnston	Chairmanship Conference – 27 February 2025	KALC – Appledore
Cllr Paul Parsons	Chairing Skills for Parish & Town Councils – 13 November 2025	SEEMP - Online
ATC/RFO	Funding Conference – 21 January 2025	Funding for All – Stone
Town Clerk	Sponsoring a Community Warden – 20 January 2025	KALC - Online

Recommended: That the item be noted.

10. REPORTS OF OUTSIDE REPRESENTATIVES.

This provides an opportunity for Members appointed as representatives on outside bodies to provide a report at the Meeting.

10.1 London Resort Company Holdings Ltd. Community Liaison Group (LRCHCLG)
Councillor Dawn Johnston is the Town Councils representatives on the LRCHCLG.

NB. In response to an enquiry, LRCHLCG have confirmed that they are happy to accept a substitute representative, if the current cannot attend, but this must be done in advance, with the substitute members contact details being provided.

10.2 Ingress Park (Greenhithe) Management Limited (IPGM).
Councillors' Peter Harris and Dawn Johnston are the Council's representatives on IPGM. IPGM have indicated that, although unable to supply any documentation, they would like a verbal update to be submitted to the Council.

10.4 Dartford Youth Forum (DYF).
Councillor Hazel Stephens is the Town Council representative on the DYF. The last meeting was scheduled to be held on 13 January 2025.

10.5 Bluewater Forum (BF)
Councillor Ann Duke is the Town Councils representatives on the BF. The last meeting was scheduled to take place on 30 January 2025.

10.6 Whitecliffe Community Liaison Group (WCLG).
Councillor Dawn Johnston is the Town Councils representatives on the WCLG. As previously agreed, the Agenda for the 21 January 2025 meeting is available for inspection.

11. REPORT FROM KENT COUNTY COUNCILLOR.

This item gives the Kent County Councillor for Swanscombe and Greenhithe, Mr Thomas Mallon, the opportunity to submit a verbal report on relevant news or issues from Kent County Council.

12. REPORT FROM DARTFORD BOROUGH COUNCILLORS.

This item gives the x5 Dartford Borough Councillors representing Swanscombe and Greenhithe the opportunity to submit a verbal report on any relevant news or developments at Dartford Borough Council.

13. SEALING OF DOCUMENTS.

There are none.

14. TOWN MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS.

INFORMATION IN THE OFFICE.

- KALC News – December 2024 and January 2025.
- The Clerk – SLCC – January 2025.
- Clerks & Councils Direct – January 2025, issue 157.

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